Reception of Admiral Forter and Staff by the Maryland Legistature. From the Baltimore Commercial of Saturday.

Annapolis, Pebruary 2.—By invitation of the General Assembly of Maryland, communicated in a joint resolution of both Houses, to Rear-Admiral Porter and the officers and Professors of the Naval Academy to visit the two Houses of the Legislature, the joint Committee appointed for that purpose received their distinguished guest and his staff to-day at 12 o'clock, at the State House.

The Admirel, with about thurty officers and Professors, all in brill and universe, were invited to the Executive Chamber, where they were cor dialty greeted by Governor Swann,

RECEPTION IN THE SHNATE. After the ceremony of personal introduction of the different officers to the Executive of the State, the distinguished visitors, accompanied by the Sovernor, were escorted by the committee to the Senate Chamber, where they were received with every demonstration of respect. Senator Billingsly of St. Mary's, in a graceful manner, in-troduced to the President and members of the Senate Rear-Admiral Porter, and generally the officers and professors accompanying him. The President of the Senate, Lieutenant-Governor Cox, then addressed Admiral Porter substan-tially as follows:—

REMARKS OF LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR COX. Admiral:—In compliance with joint resolutions of both Houses of the conoral Assembly of daryland, acopted with entire unanimist, it becomes my agreeable duty to extend to you, and the officers of your saft, a cordial welcome to this hall of legislation, a spot venerable in associations of the past, but chiefly distinguished as the scine of that early Controlled to the chiefly distinguished as the scine of that early Controlled to the chiefly distinguished as the scine of that early Controlled to the chiefly distinguished as the scine of that early Controlled to the chiefly distinguished to gress at which the Father of his Country relinquished the scale of sublic office for the more genus pursuits of private life. The fine historical group upon the of pivate life. The fire that often group upon the right wall of the chamber represents the august occasion; while the portraits in other parts of the hall point the memory of those distinguished men, who graced, at that early day, the good old commonwealth of Maryland. It is fitting that amid such associations, and surrounded by art-subjects like these, the colemony of reception should be dispensed to the have and lovel men who have a recent

these, the celemony of reception should be dispensed to the brave and loyal men who have so recently fluerated the valor and virtues of the fathers.

The patriousm which inspired the great Washington to deeds of heroism in the cause of human liberty huma das brightly in the bosoms of the noble commanders under whose gunance the army and savy achieved a lasting training hover the chemics of the Union. In this rost of the great cap ains of the age, you, sir, occupy no menevable position. When the events of the late war shall be raced by the impartial pen of other times, there will appear upon partial pen of other times, there will appear upon the historic page no prouder record than that of the unfallering loyally and daring courage which have rendered illustrous, in one day, the hero of Vicks-burg and Fort Fisher. Your name, s.r., will become a household world ground every American hearth-atone, and the glorious deeds you have wrought out for the Republic be embalmed in the grattant recon-lection of your countrymen for ages to come.

To which Admiral Porter responded as fol lows .-

BESPONSE OF ADMIRAL PORTER. Gentlemen of the Maryland Assembly :- I take gr at pleasure in expressing my thanks, and that or the officers of the Navai Academy, for the honor you have conferred on us and for the kind greeting you have given us to-day. I should consider mysel you have given us to day. I should consider myself deficient in common intelligence if I could not find language to express what is due to you on this occasion. I that, though, that you will take the will for the deed, and not expect me to express what I teel in a very lengthy speech. Speech-making is not my you also, and I very much feer that if I a tempted only extended reports. extended remarks I should subject myself to criticism of the intelligent gentlemen who are now listening to me-who are accustomed daily to

We have come to live amongst you, and I trust that our associations will be of the most agreeable character. It it is decided to locate the Naval Academy permanently at this piece. I am sure, from all that I have seen and heard since I have been here, and since the Legislature has been in session, that you will do all in your power to afford us the advantages we so much require to make this institution what it should be-an honor to the country.

I hope you will pass laws to protect the young midshipmen from the temptations that beset them on every side. Their future success in life may d pend. in a great me sure on the action of this Legislature and the laws it may enact for their benefit. The discipline of the Naval Academy will provide for their welfare inside of the walls, but there are cortain allurements on the outside over which we have no control, which are beneficial neither to manhood nor youth, and there can only be controlled by the

Leg slature.

I can only say in conclusion, for myself and in behalf of all the officers in the Academy, that we shall take great pleasure in receiving the memoers shall take great pleasure in receiving the memoers. of the Levislature and the officers attached thereto, at our houses, where the latch-string will always pe found hanging on the outside, where one and all will receive that welcome due to the representatives of this time-honored State, a State which has shown such a noble example during the Rebellion, and now shines forth as the brightest star of the Union.

Admiral Porter was then invited to take the chair of the President, Governor Swann being seated on his left, and Lieutenant-Governor Cox on his right. The Senators, ladies, and a large number of visitors present were then presented to the Admiral, the band in the Senate gallery performing inspiring airs in the meantime.

After the ceremonies of introduction had been

performed, and an interchange of courtesies had taken place, the Senate, on motion of Mr. Ohr. took a recess.

RECEPTION IN THE HOUSE.

Admiral Porter, accompanied by the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, and the officers of the Academy, were then escorted to the House of Delegates, when Colonel Billingsly introduced him to the Speaker of the House and the members of that body. Speaker Frazier then wel-comed the Admiral and the officers of the Naval Academy to the floor of the House, where seats in front of the Speaker's desk had been provided for them. Mr. Frazier referred to the successful naval engagements of the Admiral, which gave him a passport everywhere.

Admiral Porter, after expressing his thanks

for his reception, said, in reply, that he never appropriated to himself the compliments that were addressed to him, but he accepted them in behalf of the navy. After a few other re-marks, he repeated the invitation to the members of the House that he had given in the other branch, to visit himself and other officers of the Academy, where their presence would be

always welcomed.

After music from the band the House adjourned, and the guests retired.

RECEPTION IN THE ENECUTIVE CHAMBER. The Admiral and his officers were then invited to visit the spacious Executive Chamber, as the guests of the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor. Here they were bountifully entertained with the choicest champagne, the members of the Legislature and many other visitors being present. Governor Swann welcomed his

distinguished guests in a few brief remarks:-REMARKS OF GOVERNOR SWANN. Gentlemen of the Legislature and Fellow-citizens:

—You are here to day to do honor to one of the
most distinguished and gal ant officers of our navy—

most distinguished and gallant officers of our navy—a man who, in the bloody strife which has so recently terminated in the restoration of this Government, rendered unmistakable service in the defense and maintenance of our glorious Union. He is here by the invitation of the Legislature; and let me tell you, my friends, that in honoring him—in extending to him the hospitalities of this ancient Commonwealth, you honor yourselves and the people of the whole State of Marviand. It would be inappropriate at this time and this occasion to refer to the brillant record which he brings with him. That record has become part and parcel of one common renown. As Marvianders we claim a pacticipation in the has become part and parcel of our countries.

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glory of his great exploits.

The names of Grant and Sherman, and Farragut and Porter wil be held in grateful recollection, when you and I, and those present shall have passed away and been forgotten. If you desire to estimate the value of their services in putting down the Robellion to sever this Union, let me point you to the symbol of our nationality which floats over us to-day, with not a single star blotted from its slittering folds—standing firm in all the grandeur of its power and triumph. Men like these the State of Maryland delights to honor.

triumph. Men like these the State of Maryland delights to bodor.

We stand here upon ground consecrated and made forever venerable by the most stirring reminiscences of the past. It was under this roof, and almost in the very spot where I now stand, that the Father of his Country laid down his sword after achieving the liberties of an oppressed and down-trouded people. It was here that the men of the Revolution, in those times that tried men's son a were wont to assembling the here that Howard, and Williams, and Philipot, and the representatives of the Old Maryland Line backled on their armor to go forth upon their great mission of human freedom. From however,

as their associations must prove to Maryland, and ms their associations must prove to Maryland, and patriotic men from wlatever section, they serve to be given rather than diminish, by the loyal impulses which they lastire, the listre which is thrown around this old landmark of the Revolution, by the presence of our distinguished friend here to day.

If it were possible for the Executive of the State to give increased emphasis to the proceedings which have already transpired, I would beg to avail myself on tais does soon to extend to him my heartfelt congra ministens, and to bid him welcome to the State of Maryland in the name of her admiring and grateful people.

The Governor then proposed the health of Admiral Porter.

Admiral Porter responded in brief and appropriate terms. Addresses were also made by Lieutenant-Governor. Cox. Adjutant-General Berry, and others. The band discoursed its music. Many lively toasts were drank, and an hour was passed in a very cheerful manner. The Admiral and his officers then took formal leave of the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, and withdrew, expressing their gratification at the distinguished courtesy with which they had been honored. Admiral Porter.

LIST OF OFFICERS NAVAL AND CIVIL, ATTACHED TO THE NAVAL ACADEMY, ARRANGED IN THEIR DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS.

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Department of Drawing .- Professor E. Seaver, head of department. Assistant Professor-Hitchings.

Du Chaillu on the African Pigmies. M. Du Chailiu publishes the following interesting letter in the London Times:-

"To the Editor of the Times .- Sir: -As I find that the report of what Mr. J. Crawfurd said in reference to the small and peculiar tribe of natives which I met with in the mountains of Western Equatorial Africa, between one degree and two degrees south latitude, and about twelve degrees east longitude, has occasioned skepti cism, I now copy from my original note-book, which I have shown to Sir Roderick Murchison, the following details. I further understand from him that Mr. Crawfurd had no intention of disparaging the accuracy of my description, but simply wished to have such an explanation as I

now offer:—
"These little people, termed 'Obonogo,' may
be considered the gipsies of the region. They
are of migratory habits, and change their temporary shelter under trees from one place to another. They gain their livelihood by trapping game, which they exchange with the settled villagers for food, and, like some European gipsies, if this method fails, they steal and decamp. While the inhabitants of this mountain region are lighter in color than those of the sea shore, these Obonogo are still less dark. They have only short tuits of hair upon their heads, and are thus strikingly distinguished from the settled inhabitants, who wear large turrets of hair upon their heads. They have a wild, anxious, and timorous expression in their eyes, and although I gave many beads to entice some of them to remain, and was brought to them stealthily by the natives, all the men, except a young adult, disappeared, leaving a few women behind. It would appear that my visit alarmed them, for, although I stayed a week in the adjacent village, the Obonogo were no more to be are lighter in color than those of the sea shore jacent village, the Obonogo were no more to be

heard of. "The following sie the measurements I was enabled to make:-"The only adult male measured four feet six inches; but as one of the women reached five feet one-quarter inch (she being considered extraordinarily tall), I have no doubt that some of the men are equally tall, and some perhaps taller. The other women I measured had the following heights:-Four feet eight inches, four feet seven and one-quarter inches, four feet five inches, and the smallest four feet four and one-quarter inches. I thought, after looking at the whole group of the adult women, that their average height was from four feet five inches to four feet six inche. The smallest woman had the largest head, viz, one foot ten and one-fith inches in circumference, the smallest was one

foot nine inches round. "In the volume which I propose to publish more details respecting these little people, with a short vocabulary of their language, will be given, I am, sir, your obedient servant.

"P. B. Du Chaille.

"No. 129 Mount street, January 16."

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